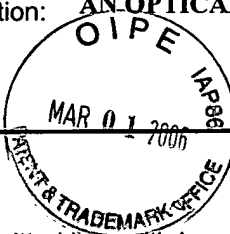
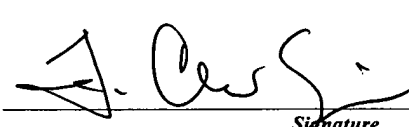
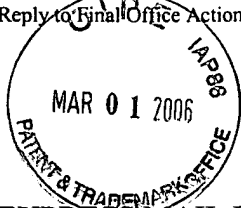


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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office action mailed December 1, 2005 (the "Office Action"), and with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper.